

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hiroyuki MATSUMOTO, et al.

Filed: April 26, 2000

For: PNEUMATIC TIRE AND PROCESS FOR MOUNTING TIRE ONTO VEHICLE

#2
Lee C. Smith
7-26-00

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

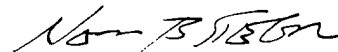
IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 8, line 1, delete "any one of claims 5-7" and insert --claim 1--.

REMARKS

This amendment is made to avoid the Government Fee for multiple dependency. Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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